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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
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FOR: METHOD, APPARATUS AND :
SYSTEM FOR RAPID ACQUISITION OF
REMOTE NODES IN A
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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SIR:

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the indication of allowability of the claimed invention. In response to the Examiner's statement enclosed with the Notice of Allowance of May 27, 2011, Applicant respectfully submits the following comments.

In the Examiner's statement enclosed with the Notice of Allowance, on page 2, paragraph 2 states:

The prior art failed to disclose the feature for transmitting a sequence of downlink messages from the hub to the remote node that is not yet acquired with a common time interval between the start of each downlink message, said common time interval being less than twice a time elapsed between sending one of the downlink messages from the hub and receiving the one of the downlink messages at the remote node, as recited in claims 8, 19, 27 39 and 50.


Although the above comment appears to address Claims 8, 39 and 50, it is respectfully noted that independent Claims 19 and 27 do not include the language recited above. For example, Claim 19 recites transmitting a "sequence of downlink messages to the

remote node” and “transmitting one of the downlink messages from the transmitting unit” and does not include the specific language quoted above of “transmitting a sequence of downlink messages from the hub to the remote node” and “sending one of the downlink messages from the hub”, respectively. Claim 27, recites “a receiving unit configured to receive a sequence of downlink messages from the hub” and “sending a message from the hub and receiving the message at the receiving unit” and does not include the language quoted above of “transmitting a sequence of downlink messages from the hub” and “receiving the one of the downlink messages at the remote node”, respectively.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the above-quoted statement does not apply to Claims 19 and 27 to the extent the language used in the statement differs from the language of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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